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prop·a·gate

(click to hear the word) (prŏp'ə-gāt')

v. prop·a·gat·ed, prop·a·gat·ing, prop·a·gates

v. tr.

1. To cause (an organism) to multiply or breed.
2. To breed (offspring).
3. To transmit (characteristics) from one generation to another.
4. To cause to extend to a broader area or larger number; spread:
missionaries who propagate the faith.
5. To make widely known; publicize: *propagate a rumor.*
6. *Physics* To cause (a wave, for example) to move in some direction or through a medium; transmit.

v. intr.

1. To have offspring; multiply.
2. To extend to a broader area or larger number; spread.
3. *Physics* To move through a medium.

[Latin prŏpāgāre, prŏpāgāt-; see pag- in Indo-European roots.]

prop' a·ga·ble


(-gə-bəl) **adj.**

prop' a·ga'tive **adj.**

prop' a·ga'tor **n.**


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trans·mit

(click to hear the word) (trāns-mīt', trānz-)

v. trans-mit-ted, trans-mit-ting, trans-mits

v. tr.

1. To send from one person, thing, or place to another; convey. See [Synonyms at convey](#), [send](#)¹.
2. To cause to spread; pass on: *transmit an infection*.
3. To impart or convey to others by heredity or inheritance; hand down.
4. To pass along (news or information); communicate.
5.
 - a. *Electronics* To send (a signal), as by wire or radio.
 - b. *Physics* To cause (a disturbance) to propagate through a medium.
6. To convey (force or energy) from one part of a mechanism to another.

v. intr.

To send out a signal.

[Middle English transmitten, from Latin trāsmittēre : trāns-, trans- + mittere, to send.]

trans-mit'ta·ble adj.

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